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Amendments to the Claim:

The present listing of the claim replaces all past listings of the claim:

Listing of the claims

Claim 1. (Previously Presented) A wound dressing and/or compress comprising a skin facing layer of a spunbond comprising polypropylene and at least one layer of a staple fiber nonwoven comprising polypropylene disposed on said spunbond, wherein the layers are nondetachably bonded together by ultrasonic welding.

Claim 2. (Canceled)

Claim 3. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing and/or compress of claim 1, wherein said staple fiber nonwoven has a basis weight of 15 to 35 g/m² and/or the spunbond has a basis weight of 8 to 25 g/m².

Claim 4. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing and/or compress of claim 1, wherein the backing material includes up to five layers of said staple fiber nonwoven.

Claim 5. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing and/or compress of claim 1, wherein said spunbond is doped with active substances and/or finished with bactericidal substances

and/or fungicidal substances

and/or microencapsulated cosmetically active substances.

Claim 6. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing and/or compress of claim 1, wherein the spunbonds have had added to them high strength fibers, folded yarns, folded union yarns or threads having an ultimate tensile stress strength of at least 60 cN/tex.

Claim 7. (Withdrawn) A process for producing a wound dressing and/or compress as claimed in claim 1, which comprises spacing the weld points apart in the longitudinal and transverse directions at a distance between 2 and 5 mm.

Claim 8. (Previously Presented) A wound dressing and/or compress comprising a skin facing layer of a perforated film comprising polypropylene and at least one layer of a nonwoven comprising polypropylene disposed on said perforated film, wherein the layers are nondetachably bonded together by ultrasonic welding.

Claim 9. (Canceled).

Claim 10. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing and/or compress of claim 8, wherein said nonwoven has disposed on it at least one layer of a spunbond, the layers being nondetachably bonded together.

Claim 11. (Withdrawn) A method comprising applying a wound dressing and/or compress according to claim 1 to a wound.

Claim 12. (Withdrawn) A method comprising applying a wound dressing and/or compress according to claim 8 to a wound.

Claim 13. (Previously Presented) The process of claim 7, wherein the distance is 3 to 4 mm.